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SUBJ: UNEP--APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1. USUN RECEIVED ON DECEMBER 13 DIPLOMATIC NOTE CONFIRMING
THE CONTINUED CANDIDACY OF DR. OLAV GJAEREVOLL (NORWAY)
AS A CANDIDATE FOR APPOINTMENT AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF UNEP, TOGETHER WITH A COPY OF HIS CURRICULUM VITAE,
WHICH IS BEING MISFAXED TO THE DEPARTMENT, ATTENTION DR.
MOREY.

2. EARLIER IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION MACMICHAELS (AUSTRALIA)
HAD ADVISED THAT HE WOULD MAINTAIN HIS CANDIDACY AND
PARTICULARLY WOULD NOT WITHDRAW IF THE NORWEGIANS MAINTAINED
THEIRS. THUS IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THERE WILL BE TWO WEOG
CANDIDACIES FOR THE UNEP POST. FYI. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMALLY
TOLD BY THE NORDIC GROUP THAT THEY WOULD INITIALLY MAINTAIN
SOLIDARITY BY SUPPORTING GJAEREVOLL WHILE CONCEDING THAT
HE HAD VIRTUALLY NO CHANCE OF RECEIVING SUBSTANTIAL
SUPPORT. OUR ANALYSIS CONTINUES AS EARLIER TRANSMITTED,
I.E., TOLBA HAS GARNERED VERY SIGNIFICANT MAJORITY SUPPORT.
WE EXPECT THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL WILL CONCLUDE HIS
CONSULTATIONS AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY VERY SHORTLY. END FYI.
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